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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of:)
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: Group Art Unit: 2621
Application No.: 09/312,841)
: Filed: May 17, 1999)
: For: IMAGE PROCESSING)
: APPARATUS AND METHOD : July 2, 2002

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Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend by one additional month the time for taking further action in the above-identified application (a Response To Final Office Action and a Petition for a two-month extension of time having been timely filed on Monday, June 3, 2002) from June 2, 2002 to July 2, 2002.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$520.00 (the difference between the already-paid \$400.00 two-month extension fee and a \$920.00 three-month extension fee) for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail. Sincerely, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, D.C. 20231

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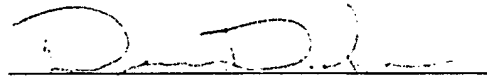
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